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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants' undersigned attorney herewith petitions that the period for response to the Office Action mailed on December 30, 1999, in the aboveidentified application be extended for one month, up to and including April 30, 2000. The appropriate fee for this extension under 37 C.F. R. 1.17 accompanies this petition together with a response.

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